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Veterinary Division

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State Veterinarian

May 10, 2017

Julie Sharp
Owner
Tail Waggin' Inn
383 Sharpe Road
Sanford, NC 27332

Notice of Warning and Notice of Deficiency

Re: Violation of NC General Statute § 19A-26 and Title 02 NC Administrative Codes ("NCAC") Chapter 52J Sections .0101(1), (2) and (4); .0102(1), (2), (3); .0202(c); .0203(a), (b) and (c); .0204(a) and (b); .0207(a), (c) and (d); and .0210(d).

AWS-WL-2017-7

Boarding Kennel: Tail Waggin' Inn and Unlicensed Animal Shelter at same location

Dear Ms. Sharp:

The Animal Welfare Section ("AWS") of the North Carolina Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services ("NCDA&CS") opened a complaint investigation into the potential operation of an unregistered animal shelter ("the shelter") on the same premises as Tail Waggin' Inn ("the kennel"). AWS Animal Health Technician Elizabeth Garner ("Inspector Garner") visited the shelter/kennel on February 21, 2017 and March 9, 2017 to discuss the operation of the shelter and to investigate the complaint. During the February 21, 2017 and March 9, 2017 site visits, you indicated that you did not intend to operate as an animal shelter.

During a follow-up site visit on May 8, 2017, Inspector Garner again found that you were housing 11 rescue animals. In addition, Inspector Garner documented several areas of non-compliance with the NC

Animal Welfare Act ("AWA") regulations for which you had been cited for during previous inspections and site visits.

Therefore, the results of the investigation find that Tail Waggin' Inn may be in violation of the following statute and NCAC regulations:

NC General Statute §19A-26;
02 NCAC 52J .0101(1), (2) and (4);
02 NCAC 52J .0102(1), (2) and (3);
02 NCAC 52J .0202(c);
02 NCAC 52J .0203(a), (b) and (c);
02 NCAC 52J .0204(a) and (b);
02 NCAC 52J .0207(a), (c) and (d);
02 NCAC 52J .0210(d)

If you have decided to close your animal shelter facility, please let us know so we can update our records. If you plan to continue operation as an animal shelter, please submit a completed animal shelter registration application immediately so that we can initiate the registration process. If you need the application form, it can be found on the AWS website at the following link:

<http://www.ncagr.gov/vet/aws/documents/SCANNEDApplicationFormShelters2016.pdf>.

Until such time that this facility has a valid AWS animal shelter registration, you are directed to immediately cease operations as an animal shelter and find suitable accommodations for any animals currently in the care and custody of this facility.

In addition, you are directed to correct all the deficiencies detailed above and in the enclosed inspection reports within 30 days of receipt of this letter.

Failure to abide by these directives shall be considered a willful disregard or violation of the N.C. Animal Welfare Act and the rules issued pursuant thereto. Under N. C. General Statute §19A-40, violation of the N.C. Animal Welfare Act and the rules issued pursuant thereto may result in the assessment of a civil penalty of up to \$5,000.00 per violation.

Your immediate attention to this matter is appreciated.

Sincerely,



Patricia Norris, DVM, MS
Director, Animal Welfare Section
Veterinary Division, NCDA&CS

cc:

Dr. R. Douglas Meckes, DVM, State Veterinarian, NCDA&CS
Joseph Reardon, Assistant Commissioner, NCDA&CS
Tina Hlabse, General Counsel, NCDA&CS
Christopher McLennan, Assistant Attorney General

Appendix

RELEVANT LAWS AND REGULATIONS

§ 19A-26. Certificate of registration required for animal shelter.

No person shall operate an animal shelter unless a certificate of registration for such animal shelter shall have been granted by the Director. Application for such certificate shall be made in the manner provided by the Director. No fee shall be required for such application or certificate. Certificates of registration shall be valid for a period of one year or until suspended or revoked and may be renewed for like periods upon application in the manner provided. (1977, 2nd Sess., c. 1217, s. 7; 1987, c. 827, s. 64.)

§ 19A-40. Civil Penalties.

The Director may assess a civil penalty of not more than five thousand dollars (\$5,000) against any person who violates a provision of this Article or any rule promulgated thereunder. In determining the amount of the penalty, the Director shall consider the degree and extent of harm caused by the violation. The clear proceeds of civil penalties assessed pursuant to this section shall be remitted to the Civil Penalty and Forfeiture Fund in accordance with G.S. 115C-457.2. (1995, c. 516, s. 6; 1998-215, s. 3.)

02 NCAC 52J .0101 RECORDS; ANIMAL SHELTERS, ETC.

Operators of all animal shelters, pet shops, public auctions, and dealers shall maintain records on all dogs and cats showing the following:

- (1) origin of animals (including names and addresses of consignors) and date animals were received;
- (2) description of animals including species, age, sex, breed, and color markings;
- (4) disposition of animals including name and address of person to whom animal is sold, traded or adopted and the date of such transaction; in the event of death, the record shall show the date, signs of illness, or cause of death if identified; if euthanized, the record shall show date and type of euthanasia; and

History Note: Authority G.S. 19A-24;
Eff. April 1, 1984;
Amended Eff. January 1, 2005; April 1, 1985.

02 NCAC 52J .0102 RECORDS; BOARDING KENNELS

Operators of boarding kennels shall maintain records of all dogs and cats showing the following:

- (1) name and address of owner or person responsible for animal, the date of entry and signature and address of individual to whom animal is released and the date of release;
- (2) description of animal including breed, sex, age and color marking; and
- (3) veterinary care provided while boarded, which shall include date, times, description of medication (including name and dosage) and initials of person administering product or procedure.

History Note: Authority G.S. 19A-24;
Eff. April 1, 1984;
Amended Eff. January 1, 2005.

02 NCAC 52J .0202 INDOOR FACILITIES

(c) Indoor housing facilities for dogs and cats shall have adequate illumination to permit routine inspections, maintenance, cleaning and housekeeping of the facility and observation of the animals. Illumination shall provide regular diurnal lighting cycles of either natural or artificial light, uniformly diffused throughout the animal facilities.

History Note: Authority G.S. 19A-24;
Eff. April 1, 1984;
Amended Eff. January 1, 2005.

02 NCAC 52J .0203 OUTDOOR FACILITIES

(a) In outdoor facilities that are subject to the Animal Welfare Act, primary enclosures and walkways with which an animal comes in contact shall be constructed of sealed concrete or other surfaces impervious to moisture. Gravel may be used if maintained at a minimum depth of six inches and kept in a sanitary manner.

- (b) Dogs and cats kept outdoors shall be provided housing to allow them to remain dry and comfortable during inclement weather. Housing shall be constructed of material which is impervious to moisture and which can be disinfected. One house shall be available for each animal within each enclosure except for a mother and its unweaned offspring.
- (c) In addition to housing, the enclosure shall provide protection from excessive sun and inclement weather.

History Note: Authority G.S. 19A-24;
Eff. April 1, 1984;
Amended Eff. March 23, 2009; January 1, 2005.

02 NCAC 52J .0204 PRIMARY ENCLOSURES

- (a) Primary enclosures shall be constructed so as to prevent contamination from waste and wastewater from animals in other enclosures. All surfaces with which an animal comes in contact shall be impervious to moisture. For primary enclosures placed into service on or after January 1, 2005, no wood shall be within the animal's reach. For primary enclosures in use in a licensed or registered facility prior to January 1, 2005, any damaged wood must be replaced in a manner that does not permit contact with wood by the animal.
- (b) Primary enclosures for dogs and cats shall be structurally sound and maintained in good repair and in a manner to prevent injury to animals and keep other animals out. Primary enclosures shall be constructed so as to provide space to allow each dog or cat to walk, urn about freely, and to easily stand, sit, or lie in a natural position. The height of a primary enclosure other than a cage shall be no less than five feet. All enclosures shall be constructed to prevent the escape of animals.

History Note: Authority G.S. 19A-24;
Eff. April 1, 1984;
Amended Eff. January 1, 2005; April 1, 1985.

02 NCAC 52J .0207 SANITATION

- (a) Waste shall be removed from primary enclosures and exercise areas to prevent contamination of the dogs or cats contained therein and to reduce disease hazards and odors. Enclosures and exercise areas for dogs and cats must be properly cleaned a minimum of two times per day. The animal must be able to walk or lie down without coming in contact with any waste or debris. When a hosing or flushing method is used for cleaning an enclosure, dogs or cats contained therein shall be removed during the cleaning process, and adequate measures shall be taken to protect the animals in other such enclosures from being contaminated with water and other wastes.
- (c) Premises (buildings and grounds) shall be kept clean and in good repair in order to protect the animals from injury and to facilitate the prescribed husbandry practices set forth in this Rule. Premises shall remain free of accumulations of trash, junk, waste products, and discarded matter. Weeds, grasses, and bushes must be controlled so as to facilitate cleaning of the premises and to improve pest control, and to protect the health and well-being of the animals.
- (d) An effective program for the control of insects, ectoparasites, and avian and mammalian pests shall be established and maintained.

History Note: Authority G.S. 19A-24;
Eff. April 1, 1984;
Amended Eff. January 1, 2005; April 1, 1985.

02 NCAC 52J .0210 VETERINARY CARE

- (d) All animals in a licensed or registered facility shall be in compliance with the North Carolina rabies law, G.S. 130A, Article 6, Part 6. However, no shelter shall be disapproved following inspection or otherwise cited for failure to inoculate any dog or cat known to be less than 12 weeks old or until such animals have been in the shelter at least 15 days.

History Note: Authority G.S. 19A-24;
Eff. April 1, 1984;
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Inspection Results

Date of inspection

Approved

Mar 9, 2017

Type of inspection Complaint response

Type of runs Indoor runs only

license type 41 - Boarding kennel

License # 10,679

dogs present 3

cats present 0

Number of prim. enclosures

16

35.38065

Latitude

79.10962

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Facilities

Inspection Category	Result	Inspection Category	Result	Inspection Category	Result
0201 Housing in sound repair	Acceptable	0201 Daily waste removal	Acceptable	0201 Perimeter Fence	Not applicable
0201 Meets electrical code	Acceptable	0201 Hot and cold water present	Acceptable	0201 Adequate drainage	Acceptable
0201 Safe electrical power	Acceptable	0201 Washroom basin and sink	Accept.	0201 Access to AWS employees	Acceptable
Food and bedding protected 0201	Acceptable	0201 Thermometer present	Acceptable	0201 Compliance with welfare	Acceptable
		0201 Animals in windows	Not applicable		

Records, shelter

Inspection Category	Result	Inspection Category	Result	Inspection Category	Result
Origin of animals 0101	Not Applicable	Location off-site 0101	Not Applicable	Disposition of animals 0101	Not Applicable
0101 Descript. of animals, shelter	Not Applicable			Veterinary treatment, shelter 0101	Not Applicable

Records, kennel

Inspection Category	Result	Inspection Category	Result	Inspection Category	Result
0102 Owner information & signature	Acceptable	0102 Description of animals, kennel	Acceptable	0102 Veterinary treatment, kennel	Acceptable

Records, inspection

Inspection Category	Result	Inspection Category	Result	Inspection Category	Result
0103 Records made available	Acceptable	0103 Records match animals	Acceptable	0103 Records kept 1+ year	Acceptable

Signature of
Management

Animal Welfare Section, NCDA&CS
Inspection Report, continued

Inspection Results

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Date of inspection

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Sanitation/Employees/Classification & Separation (continued)

0207 Enclosure sanitized 2x / day	Acceptable	0207 Number of employees	Acceptable	0207 Isolation area & signage	Acceptable
0207 Method of sanitation	Acceptable	0207 Females in estrus, separated	Not Applicable	0207 Long term care program	Acceptable
0207 Build./grnds., clean & repair	Acceptable	0207 Owner perm, commingling	Not Applicable	0207 Animals confined	Acceptable
		0207 Young with dam	Not Applicable		

Veterinary Care

Inspection Category	Result	Inspection Category	Result	Inspection Category	Result
0210 Program of veterinary care	Acceptable	0210 Daily observation of animals	Acceptable	0210 Rabies vaccination	Not Acceptable
0210 Veterinary care when needed	Acceptable				

Vehicles

0301 Vehicles mechanically sound	Acceptable	0301 Fresh air and ventilation	Acceptable	0301 Cargo area clean	Acceptable
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Primary Enclosure Used in Transportation

Inspection Category	Result	Inspection Category	Result	Inspection Category	Result
0302 Construction of enclosure	Acceptable	0302 Age and species separated	Acceptable	0302 Size of transport enclosure	Acceptable
0302 Enclosure clean & sanitized	Acceptable				

Transportation: Food and Water

Transportation: Care

Inspection Category	Result	Inspection Category	Result
0303 Food & water during transport	Acceptable	0304 Observation of animals	Acceptable

Narrative Explanation, if needed

Complaint #376 follow up inspection performed today. I arrived on site @ 1:30pm, Sgt. Gilstrap w/ Lee County Sheriff's accompanied me on this inspection today.

Details of today's inspection is on the attached narrative.

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Signature of inspector Elizabeth Garner

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Inspection date **March 9, 2017**

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Narrative Explanation, continued

Original complaint inspection took place on 2-21-17, at that inspection I noted that waste was not being removed at least twice daily, adequate records were not being kept, there were not enough workers to properly care for the more than 60 animals on site, animals were housed in unapproved buildings, and the owner was operating an unlicensed private shelter as defined in the Animal Welfare Act. Owner was given 2 weeks by me and Sgt. Gilstrap to clean up her property, and have the abundance of rescue animals housed here removed.

Today's follow-up:

> Enclosures, Buildings, Grounds are much cleaner today.

> Waste Removal) I did not view wide spread feces on the grounds and in enclosures today. Property owner has adequately cleaned up the waste, and kept it clean since my last visit.

> Shed/office) Is no longer being used to house animals. Owner would like to use this building for grooming, and will likely work to cover the walls and adequately ventilate this building for the option of housing small dogs. She is aware this must come into our standards before animals can be housed here again.

> Septic and drain system is operating properly today and cleaner.

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Narrative Explanation, continued

Adopt Me/Rescue Animals:

> 3 Dogs are housed here for Adopt Me Rescue today, all others have been removed from the property and are in the care of other foster homes.

"K9#1) "Jake" is a Red-Bone hound, that has been at this kennel since October 2016, he is heart worm positive, and unable to be transported to Adopt Me's home state due to legal regulations. Jake is not currently receiving heartworm treatment, Ms. Sharpe did have his records present.

"K9#2) "Peyton" white/tan mixed breed, has been at this kennel since 2/7/17. Ms. Sharpe did have his records present.

"K9#3) "Abner" a mixed breed, has been at this kennel since January. Ms. Sharpe was unable to locate any records for Abner today, or proof of rabies (0210). I advised Julie to have Abner vaccinated for Rabies ASAP.

Also during this inspection, Sgt. Gilstrap was unable to determine the rabies status on Ms. Sharpe's personal pets, he has advised her to have all animals up dated on rabies and those records available for him to view within his established time frame.

There are a total of 37 dogs & 2 cats seen on the property today. Of these, 3 dogs are the above stated Adopt Me Rescue dogs, 2 are here for grooming, and 32 are Ms. Sharpe's personal pets. Ms. Sharpe has drastically reduced her numbers, but is still over the counties limit of 30 animals; Sgt. Gilstrap has requested that she submit for a commercial animal permit as established in the counties ordinances. The property is cleaner today we viewed no obvious signs of illness or injury. I have advised Ms. Sharpe that I will randomly and frequently check on her property to ensure compliance.

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Inspection Results

Disapproved

Date of inspection

May 8, 2017

Type of inspection Follow-up inspection

Type of runs Indoor + Outdoor runs

License type 41 - Boarding kennel

License # 10,679

dogs present 46

cats present 2

Number of prim. enclosures

16

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0201 Housing in sound repair	Acceptable	0201 Daily waste removal	Acceptable	0201 Perimeter Fence	Acceptable
0201 Meets electrical code	Acceptable	0201 Hot and cold water present	Acceptable	0201 Adequate drainage	Acceptable
0201 Safe electrical power	Acceptable	0201 Washroom basin and sink	Accept.	0201 Access to AWS employees	Acceptable
Food and bedding protected 0201	Acceptable	0201 Thermometer present	Acceptable	0201 Compliance with welfare	Not acceptable
		0201 Animals in windows	Not applicable		

Records, shelter

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0101 Descript. of animals, shelter	Not Acceptable			Veterinary treatment, shelter 0101	Not Applicable

Records, kennel

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0102 Owner information & signature	Not Acceptable	0102 Description of animals, kennel	Not Acceptable	0102 Veterinary treatment, kennel	Acceptable

Records, inspection

Inspection Category	Result	Inspection Category	Result	Inspection Category	Result
0103 Records made available	Not Acceptable	0103 Records match animals	Not Acceptable	0103 Records kept 1+ year	Not Applicable

Signature of Management

N/A

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Inspection Report, continued

Inspection Results

Disapproved

Date of inspection

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Indoor facilities

Inspection Category	Result	Inspection Category	Result	Inspection Category	Result
0202 Ambient temperature, indoor	Acceptable	0202 Ventilation, indoor	Acceptable	0202 Lighting, indoor	Not Acceptable
0202 Imperv./Sanitary surf., indoor	Acceptable	0202 Drainage, indoor	Acceptable		

Outdoor facilities

Inspection Category	Result	Inspection Category	Result	Inspection Category	Result
0203 Impervious surfaces, outdoor	Not Acceptable	0203 Housing, 1 per animal	Not Acceptable	0203 Protection from elements	Not Acceptable
0203 Owner advised, outdoor	Acceptable	0203 Drainage, outdoor	Not Acceptable		

Primary enclosures

Inspection Category	Result	Inspection Category	Result	Inspection Category	Result
0204 Drainage prev. cross contam.	Acceptable	0204 Fence height \geq 5 feet	Acceptable	0204 1:10 ratio, person: human	Acceptable
0204 Surf. impervious to moisture	Acceptable	0204 Enclosure is escape proof	Acceptable	0204 Cats, \geq 4 sq. ft. / adult	Not Applicable
0204 Prevent contact with wood	Not Acceptable	0204 Solid resting surface	Acceptable	0204 Cats, \leq 12 / enclosure	Not Applicable
0204 Enclosures in sound repair	Not Acceptable	0204 Cats, raised resting surface	Not Applicable	0204 Cats, 1 litter pan / 3 adults	Not Applicable
0204 Size of enclosure	Not Acceptable	0204 Dogs, supervision if $>$ 4	Not Applicable		

Feeding

Inspection Category	Result	Inspection Category	Result	Inspection Category	Result
0205 Feeding, 1x / day, adult	Acceptable	0205 Feeding, 1 bowl / adult	Acceptable	0205 Feeding, commercial food	Acceptable
0205 Feeding, bowl in good repair	Acceptable	0205 Feeding, quality food	Acceptable	0205 Feeding, bowl is protected	Acceptable
0205 Feeding, 2x / day, young	Acceptable				

Watering

Inspection Category	Result	Inspection Category	Result
0206 Watering, continuous access	Acceptable	0206 Watering, bowl in good repair	Acceptable

Sanitation/Employees/Classification & Separation

Inspection Category	Result	Inspection Category	Result	Inspection Category	Result
0207 Waste removal 2x / day	Not Acceptable	0207 Grounds overgrown	Acceptable	0207 Young given social interact.	Not Applicable
0207 Animals removed while clean	Acceptable	0207 Pest Control	Not Acceptable	0207 Species separated	Acceptable

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Management

N/A

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Inspection Report, continued

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Sanitation/Employees/Classification & Separation (continued)

0207 Enclosure sanitized 2x / day	Not Applicable	0207 Number of employees	Acceptable	0207 Isolation area & signage	Acceptable
0207 Method of sanitation	Acceptable	0207 Females in estrus, separated	Not Applicable	0207 Long term care program	Acceptable
0207 Build./grnds., clean & repair	Not Acceptable	0207 Owner perm, commingling	Not Applicable	0207 Animals confined	Acceptable
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0210 Program of veterinary care	Acceptable	0210 Daily observation of animals	Acceptable	0210 Rabies vaccination	Not Acceptable
0210 Veterinary care when needed	Acceptable				

Vehicles

0301 Vehicles mechanically sound	Not Applicable	0301 Fresh air and ventilation	Not Applicable	0301 Cargo area clean	Not Applicable
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Primary Enclosure Used in Transportation

Inspection Category	Result	Inspection Category	Result	Inspection Category	Result
0302 Construction of enclosure	Not Applicable	0302 Age and species separated	Not Applicable	0302 Size of transport enclosure	Not Applicable
0302 Enclosure clean & sanitized	Not Acceptable				

Transportation: Food and Water

Transportation: Care

Inspection Category	Result	Inspection Category	Result
0303 Food & water during transport	Not Applicable	0304 Observation of animals	Not Applicable

Narrative Explanation, if needed

Second Follow up inspection performed today, for a complaint our office received on this business on 2-21-17.
The 1st follow up inspection was performed on 3-9-17, that inspection was approved because the owner had
drastically reduced her numbers and her rescue/fosters to less than 9. The property was much cleaner and the
animals were well cared for.
This follow up is disapproved due to multiple inadequacies noted today. Those inadequacies are noted on the
attached narrative forms.

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NA- Completed offsite.
Owner is provided a copy via email.

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Narrative Explanation, continued

Today's inspection:

* Number of animals housed here today for Adopt Me Rescue is 11 dogs. Of these 11, 3 are the long term dogs noted at the 1st follow up. Although Ms. Sharpe is not at the numbers she was when I first investigated this complaint (26), she is over the limit allowed to have without being licensed as a shelter under the Animal Welfare Act and Dept of Agriculture policies. Ms. Sharpe has been made aware that she can not house more than 9 without a license for rescues/fosters.

* 3 dogs are boarded here today for private clients.

* Ms. Sharpe has 32 personal pet dogs on the property.

* 0101/0102 Records are not adequate today.

> The 3 boarded dogs (Nolas, Akira, Ava) had no records available for viewing today. Owned animals that are being boarded must be accompanied with a record of owner information, address and contacts; description of the animal; a current rabies vaccination certificate; other record of vet care provided; log of signatures when the owner or designated agent has picked them up.

> Of the 11 Rescue Animals on the property today- 4 of them did not have records of where they came from, current vaccinations, descriptions or owner information. The other 7 did have records of a current rabies vaccine. 5 had records of the public shelter they were pulled from (either Harnett Co or Yadkin Co); 2 black and white puppies were on the property with no name, identification, or other record for them. Records for foster/rescue must include details of where they came from, date they entered the care of this facility, animals description/name or other identifiable factor, current rabies vaccination certificate, record of other care provided, and date/description of their departure.

* 0202- Indoor housing:

> Lighting is inadequate today. I attempted to view animals in the approved boarding building. The building was dark, and I struggled to view the darker coated dogs. Specifically one Grey Bull Terrier mix housed in a dark metal bank of enclosures (see 0204 for more details)

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Narrative Explanation, continued

*0203- Outdoor Housing: I have been told during previous inspections that animals are moved outside for cleaning purposes and then put back inside in the afternoon.

However I did not view enough empty enclosures inside the building to house the animals that were outside, and the long term rescue dogs were housed in the same enclosures during my last visit; therefore I find the following areas inadequate:

>Surfaces- outdoor surfaces must be 6 inches of gravel or concrete. I viewed dirt & hay surfaces today.

>House provided for each animal that is housed outside, I viewed no houses in the outdoor enclosures today.

> Protection from the elements for animals housed outside is also not provided.

>Waste/water drains on the outside perimeter of the concrete patio where waste is washed down, were dirty with mud, feces and food this morning. They do not appear to have been cleaned recently & Ms. Sharpe advised they are dirty from the weekend. Waste is to be removed/disposed of/washed down, twice daily.

*0204- Primary Enclosures:

>Prevents contact with wood- is not acceptable today. Sheets of ply wood is placed on top of the chain link enclosures to prevent escaping and to give extra work space. Myself and Sgt. Gilstrap advised at the last follow up to remove these and replace with a sanitizable surface.


>Enclosures in sound repair is not acceptable today. I viewed broken, chewed chain link and wire that has resulted in sharp/jagged edges, and holes in the enclosure. Ms. Sharp has tried to patch the damaged areas, but the rescue dogs continue to tear up the enclosures.

> Size of enclosure for one Grey Bull Terrier mix is not acceptable during this inspection. K9 was housed in a bank of dull/dark metal enclosures that typically house Ms. Sharpe's chihuahua's (estimated at a 2x2' enclosure). Due to inadequate lighting, I struggled to see the dog in the enclosure, but once I did, I viewed it curled into a tight ball, and was not provided enough room to turn around, lie down, or stand up comfortably. Ms. Sharpe advised she was chewing at the wire on her cage, so she moved her here temporarily until she could fix it.

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Narrative Explanation, continued

***0207- Sanitation:**

>Waste removal twice daily is questionable during this inspection. I did not view large piles of waste today that was viewed during the original complaint investigation, but I did view feces in every enclosures and some with several piles. Ms. Sharpe advised that her sister brought them fresh meat from a packing plant and that always messes with their stomachs. I did view large bones in their enclosures.

> Insect control is lacking today, as I viewed an abundance of flies around the property.

> Building and Grounds kept neat, clean and free of trash and equipment piles is much improved today, but still inadequate. I viewed open bags of trash, dirty crates, bedding, and bowls around the grounds today. Crates and kennels should be washed and stored in a manner that keeps them dry and clean. Bowls, syringes, and other equipment should be sanitized/washed daily and stored in a manner that keeps them clean and dry.

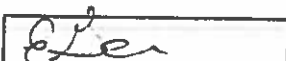
***0210- Current Rabies Vaccination:** Ms. Sharpe was not able to produce a vaccine record for all age appropriate animals in her care today.

****Ms. Sharpe stated to me during this inspection that she was away at a class this weekend and her sister cared for the animals, so it is not up to her normal standards. She also made me aware that all the Adopt Me Foster/Rescue dogs would be leaving her care by Friday with the exception of the 3 dogs that have been in her care long term. Of these 3, 1 is undergoing heartworm treatment and cannot be transported. 1 was brought her from WI due to aggressive history, and 1 was fostered and returned due to aggressive history. Ms. Sharpe did make a statement during this inspection that she felt some of these animals would have to go with Sgt. Gilstrap if they were ever going to leave her property, she did not feel Adopt Me Rescue would remove them all as originally planned.**

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